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Ring Family

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THE RING FAMILY

History mentions Sigurd Ring, King of Scandanavia and England. This is rather interesting.

The family name of Ring appears on the register of the parish of Hoghton, in the County of Lancaster, England, for more than seven centuries and the descendants of the first branch of the family are still found there, and in the neighborhood.

Of this family was Joseph Ring, a member of the British Parliament in the reign of King Charles I.

Arms:- Argent White on a bend gules, Red, Three Crescents of the first white.

Crest:- An arm erect vested sable, Black cuffed, or Gold. The hand holding a roll of paper. The bend in the Crest is a scarf of honor given for courage in battle. The Crescent upon it shows the honor to have been obtained in fighting against the Moors. The hand holding the roll in the Crest, indicates some service of a literary nature to the state.

Mary Ring, (widow), with three children, Andrew, Susan and Elizabeth, came from England to Plymouth, Mass. in 1629. Andrew was thirteen years old.

A Copy of the Will and Testament of Mary Ring, widow, who died the 15th of July 1631; the will being proved in public court the 28th of October, in the Ninth year of the reign of our sovereign Lord Charles First, King of England.

"I, Mary Ring, being sick in body, but in perfect memory, thanks be to God, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth: First; I bequeath my soul to God who gave it me, and my body to the earth from whence it was taken. Next my will is that such goods as God has given I give also. I give unto Andrew, my son, all my brass and pewter. I give unto my son Andrew, my new bed and bolster, the feathers to put in it, which I have ready.

- Item: I give to my son Andrew two blankets, one the red blanket, with the best coverlet which lieth upon my bed, and the curtains.
- Item: I give unto my son Andrew, three pairs of my best sheets, and two pairs of my best pillow beeres. I give also to him one tablecloth, and one towel, and half a dozen of napkins.
- Item: I give unto him all my woolen cloth unmade, except one piece of red, which my will is that my daughter Susan shall have as much as will make a bearing cloth, and the remainder I give unto Stephen Deane's child.
- Item: I give unto my son Andrew, my bolster next the best.
- Item: I give unto him my trunk, and my box, and my cubbert.
- Item: I give unto him all my cattle.
- Item: I give unto him half the corn which groweth in the yard where I dwell, and the other half I give unto Stephen Deane.
- Item: The rest of my corn in other places I give to Andrew, my son.
- Item: I give to Stephen Deane my cloth to make him a cloak.
- Item: Timber that I lent to Governor Winslow that cost me a pound of beaver, beside a piece more that he had of me.
- Item: I give to my son Andrew, all my share of land that is due to me or shall be. I give to my son Andrew, all my tools.
- Item: The money that is due to me from the Governor, forty shillings, also the forty shillings of commodities I

am to have out of England, I give unto him also, except the green soy which I give unto Stephen Deane's child to make her a coat.

- Item: One piece of new linen I give unto my son Andrew.
- Item: I give unto my daughter Susan Clark my bed I lay upon, with my gray coverlet, and the tick of the two pillows, but the feathers I give unto my son Andrew.
- Item: One puff I had of Goodman Giles I give to my daughter Elizabeth Deane. All the rest of my things mentioned, I give unto my daughters, to be equally divided between them. I give unto my son Andrew, all my books, my two pair of pot hooks, and my tramell, one coarse sheet to put his bed in, and all the money that is due to me from Goodman Giles, and my will is that he shall have the piece of black stuffe.

(The goods I give to my two daughters are all my wearing apparel; all my wearing linen.)

- Item: I give unto Mrs. Warren, one wooden cup with a foot, as a token of my love.
- Item: My will is that the cattle I give my son, be kept to halves for him by Stephen Deane, or at the discretion of my overseers, to take order for them, for the good of the child.
- Item: I give to Andrew, my son, all my handkerchers, buttoned or unbuttoned.
- Item: I give to Andrew, one silver shell.
- Item: I give him one coarse kercher, and one fine kercher.
- Item: My will is that Andrew, my son, be left with my son-in-law, Stephen Deane, and do require of my son Deane to help him forward in the knowledge and the fear of God, not to oppress him by any burdens, but be tender to him as he will answer to God.

My overseers of my Will I institute and make my loving friends, Samuel Fuller and Thomas Blossom, whom I entreat to see this, my Will performed according to the true intent of the same; and my will is that my son Andrew have recourse unto these two, my loving friends, for counsel and advise, to be ruled by them in anything they shall see good and convenient for him.

Also, my will and desire is, that my overseers see that those goods which I have given unto my son Andrew, be carefully preserved for him, until such time they shall judge it meet to put them into his own hands.

My will also is that, if my overseers shall see it meet to dispose of my son Andrew, otherwise, than with his brother Deane, that then, my son Deane shall be willing to consent unto it, and they to dispose of him, provided it be always with the good will of my son Andrew.

I give unto Andrew a linen cap, which was his father's, buttons for his handkercher unbuttoned, I leave for him.

My will is that Andrew, my son, shall pay all my debts and charge about my burial.

In witness whereof I set to my hand before:

Mary Ring

Witnesses: Samuel Fuller
Thomas Blossom

Plymouth, Feb. 7, 1883

The foregoing is a true copy from Plymouth Colony Record of Wills, Vol. 1. Fol. 4 & 5.

Attest: Wm. L. Danforth
Reg. of Deeds for Plymouth Co.
and having charge of Plymouth
Co. Records.

After the death of his mother (in 1631), and when Andrew was sixteen years old, he was placed in charge of Samuel Fuller.

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In 1640 he owned land in what was afterward called Ring's Lane in Plymouth.

He married twice. First, to Deborah, the daughter of Stephen Hopkins, the Pilgrim, in 1646. The second time, to Lettice Morton, widow of an ancestor of Levi P. Morton, Vice President of the United States. After that, he was one of the first settlers of Middleboro, Massachusetts. He died in 1692, aged 76 years.

By his first wife Deborah, Andrew had two sons and five daughters. The sons were ELEAZAR and William. Both are buried in the old Plymouth Cemetery, and pictures of the headstones are in the early part of this book. Eleazar married Mary Shaw, January 11th, 1687. Their children were, Andrew, Phoebe, Samuel, Deborah, Mary, JOHNATHAN, Susanna and Elkinah. Phoebe married a grandson of Miles Standish. Andrew went to Yarmouth, Maine. Samuel married at Kingston. Johnathan; just before the Revolution, with two daughters and three sons went to Worthington, Massachusetts. Elkinah never married and died at Kingston, Massachusetts. JOHNATHAN'S children were ELEAZAR, Joseph, Johnathan, Sarah and Molly. These men all served in the war. ELEAZAR, under General Washington at Valley Forge. Johnathan married Sarah Mitchell, 21st July 1747. Joseph founded the village of Ringville near Worthington, Massachusetts. Samuel married Sarah King. His descendants still own the old homestead at Kingston. ELEAZAR married Dainaris Johnson; their children were, Eleazar, Elkinah, Joslyn, Lydia, JESSE, Angeline, Abigal, Eunice, Emily, Harriet, John and Ethan.

JESSE Ring (Clark Lombard Ring's grandfather) was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, April 12th, 1794, and died August 9th, 1870. He married Kezia Lombard August 20th, 1817. She was born in 1796 and died in 1867. They had two sons ELEAZAR JESSE and William Pitt and six daughters Mary Ring Richards, Sophia H. Ring, Adeline Ring Lee, Nancy M. Ring Dickinson, Lucina A. Ring Rollins, and Dolly Ring Brown.

ELEAZAR JESSE (Clark L. Ring's father) was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, September 20th, 1824, and died at the Ring home, 1126 N. Michigan Avenue, Saginaw, Michigan, July 12th, 1896. He married Ann Eliza Clarke of Hamilton, Canada, November 6th, 1851. She was born in Waterloo, New York, November 9th, 1829, and died at the Ring home in Saginaw December 13th, 1891. Their children were, William Lee, Annie Sophia, CLARK LOMBARD and Agnes Lenore. William Lee Ring, born August 25th, 1856 at Hamilton, Canada, died in Clairmont, California, May 2nd, 1919. Annie Sophia Ring (who married Doctor William E. Conroy, of Brooklyn, New York) was born in Huron, Ohio, March 1st, 1859 and died in Pasadena, California, April 12th, 1924. Her husband died in Saginaw in 1903. They had one child named William Ring who died February 21st, 1890, only four years old. Agnes Lenore, born in Huron, Ohio, August 15th, 1865, died July 29th, 1866. CLARK LOMBARD RING was born in Huron, Ohio, February 14th, 1862. He married Lizzie Palmer Merrill of Saginaw, Michigan, March 29th, 1883. She was born in Saginaw, July 25th, 1862 at the Thomas and Marie Merrill Home at 1209 South Michigan Avenue, she died in New York, December 3rd, 1912. They had three children all born in Saginaw. Thomas Merrill, Jessie Clark and Elizabeth Clark. Thomas was born January 14th, 1884, Jessie, June 18th, 1885, Elizabeth, April 3rd, 1891. Thomas is not married. Jessie married in Saginaw, Edward Isaiah Garrett of Seattle, Washington, November 6th, 1911. They have two children, Rose Ring, born in Seattle January 11th, 1915 and Edward I. Garrett, Jr. (Peter) born in Seattle December 7th, 1917.

Elizabeth married in Saginaw, James Duane Ireland, of Cleveland, Ohio, January 8th, 1913. He died in Cleveland, December 6th, 1921. They had one child, James Duane Ireland, Jr. (Jamie) born in Duluth, Minn. December 1st, 1913.



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